



FLORIDA ESTATE PLANNING & ELDER LAW



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HAPPY ★ NEW ★ YEAR

As we turn the calendar page to 2024, we wish you good health, abundant happiness, and ample strength to meet life's challenges. Let's also hope our turbulent world sees peace and tranquility in the year ahead.

All the best,
The Attorneys & Staff of The Karp Law Firm

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Jonathan Karp Receives *Best Lawyers* Honor



We are delighted to announce that Attorney Jonathan Karp has been included in Best Lawyers Magazine's *Ones to Watch* list.

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This Estate Battle Started 66 Million Years Ago



It is no rarity for adult siblings to fight over a parent's estate. What makes this feud unique is the origin of the family fortune: A 66-million-year old fossil named Sue.

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Snowbirds, Schedule Your Appointment

We hope our snowbird clients are enjoying the Sunshine State! If you need to meet with your attorney, please book your appointment without delay. This will give us enough time to meet with you and to complete any needed work before you fly off again! To schedule, please call 561-625-1100.

Estate Tax & Gift Tax Changes Arrive January 1



Both the federal lifetime estate tax exemption and the annual gift tax exclusion increased on January 1, 2024. With the lifetime exemption likely to be reduced by half in 2026, now is a good time to start a gifting program to put more tax-free money in the hands of loved ones. Learn more about this and other issues on February 5 when Attorney Joseph Karp appears at the Quest for Knowledge event in South Palm Beach.

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Americorps Seniors

Americorps Seniors offers an array of volunteer opportunities for those 55 or older, from reading to children to visiting lonely seniors. You can sign up for as little as a few hours a week.

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Adele Harris On Panel



Attorney Adele Harris will share insights at the upcoming panel discussion, *Living, Dying, & Leaving a Legacy: Straight Talk Around Difficult Conversations*. Sponsored by Aging With Grace, the event will be held on January 11 from 10:00am to 11:30am at the North Palm Beach Library, 303 Anchorage Drive. Attendance is free, but advance registration is required.

[Register here](#) scroll down to select January 11 event

The New Obesity Drugs

Has holiday indulgence has turned your thoughts to losing weight? The new anti-obesity drugs such as Wegovy and the recently approved Zepbound sound like miracles, but they are not without their potential side effects, particularly for older people.

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Get A Reliable Appraisal For Your Tangible Property



Tangible personal property consists of physical items other than real estate; examples include jewelry and household goods. If you are administering an estate or just want to pass your own items to loved ones, you may need to have the items appraised. Here's how to find a reliable appraiser.

[Learn more](#)

New VA Aid & Attendance Rates



Pension with Aid and Attendance benefits can help cover the cost of in-home help or an assisted living or nursing home facility for elderly or disabled veterans with a non-service connected disability. Surviving spouses may also be eligible for benefits. Certain income and asset limits apply. Benefit rates increased in 2023.

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